Dec. 8-12, 1774	Matthew Tilghman	President
April 24-May 3, 1775		
July 26- Aug. 14, 1775	John Hall	President
Dec. 7, 1775-Jan. 18, 1776		
Aug. 14-Nov. 11, 1776	Charles Carroll, Barrister	President
Aug. 14-Nov. 11, 1776	Matthew Tilghman	President

## Councils of Safety Exercising Power in the Intervals Between Conventions

August 14, 1775 (first met August 29). This and all other committees served from the close of the convention at which they were elected to the close of the one next succeeding. Eight were from each shore of the bay. Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, President; Matthew Tilghman, Thomas Johnson, Thomas Smyth, Henry Hooper, William Paca, John Beale Bordley (declined to serve), Richard Lloyd, Edward Lloyd, James Hollyday, Charles Carroll, Barrister; Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Thomas Stone, Samuel Chase, Robert Alexander and Robert Goldsborough.

January 17, 1776 (first met January 18). Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, President; Charles Carroll, Barrister; John Hall, Benjamin Rumsey, James Tilghman, Thomas Smyth, Thomas Bedingfield Hands.

May 25, 1776 (first met May 27). Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, President; Charles Carroll, Barrister; John Hall, Benjamin Rumsey, George Plater, James Tilghman, Thomas Smyth, Thomas Bedingfield Hands, William Hayward.

July 5, 1776 (first met July 6). Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, President; John Hall, George Plater, Charles Carroll, Barrister; Benjamin Rumsey Thomas Smyth, James Tilghman, Joseph Nicholson, Jr., Thomas Bedingfield Hand (declined, and Nicholas Thomas appointed in his place September 17, 1776.)

November 10, 1776 (first met November 12). Served until March 20, 1777. March 21, Senate adopted a resolution, followed by the House on the 22nd, dissolving the Council of Safety because the new government was organized. The Legislature had been in session since February 5. Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, John Hall, George Plater, Brice Thomas, Beale Worthington, Joseph Nicholson, Charles Graham (declined) James Tilghman (declined), William Rumsey (declined). Thomas Contee (chosen to fill Graham's place), Samuel Wilson (chosen to fill Tilghman's place), William Hemsley (chosen to fill Rumsey's place, declined), James Lloyd Chamberlaine (appointed by Council January 3, 1777, to fill Hemsley's place, declined), Turbutt Wright (appointed by Council February 3, 1777, to fill Chamberlaine's place).

## MEMBERS OF THE PROVINCIAL CONVENTION, AUGUST 14— NOVEMBER 11, 1776, WHICH FRAMED THE FIRST STATE CONSTITUTION

MATTHEW TILGHMAN, President GABRIEL DUVALL, Secretary

St. Mary's County—Richard Barnes, Ignatius Fenwick, George Plater, Jeremiah Jordan.

Kent County—Thomas Ringgold, William Ringgold, Joseph Earle, Thomas Smyth.

Anne Arundel County—John Hall, Brice T. B. Worthington, Rezin Hammond, Samuel Chase, Charles Carroll, barrister.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned Aug. 27, 1776. Worthington and Chase were re-elected Sept. 10, 1776. Hall elected in place of Carroll, barrister.